

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 3:21-cr-104

vs.

WILLIAM EARNEST,

District Judge Michael J. Newman  
Magistrate Judge Peter B. Silvain, Jr.

Defendant.

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**ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION OF THE UNITED  
STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE (DOC. NO. 24)**

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This criminal case is before the Court on the Report and Recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge, recommending that the Court accept Defendant's guilty plea. Doc. No. 24. There being no objections, the Court **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation in full. The Court accepts Defendant's plea of guilty as charged in Count One of the Superseding Information, which charges him with possession with intent to distribute 40 grams or more of fentanyl, 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B). Doc. No. 20. The Court will defer the decision of whether to accept the plea agreement until the sentencing hearing.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Date: November 15, 2021

s/ Michael J. Newman  
Hon. Michael J. Newman  
United States District Judge